

# 2022-23 University Touch Championships Event Guide



REGIONAL QUALIFYING EVENT - ROUND 2 - SOUTH

# **General Information**

#### DATE

Saturday 26th November 2022

#### **LOCATION**

Surrey Sports Park

#### **ADDRESS**

Richard Meyjes Rd, Guildford GU2 7AD

#### **MAP HYPERLINK**

https://goo.gl/maps/Pf5jMYTHWk8toDpM8

#### **PLAYING SURFACE**

All games will be played on grass.

# **ACCEPTED ENTRIES & DRAW**

The below teams are accepted as entrants for this competition. Teams are listed in the order in which they are ranked for the pool draw (see Sport Specific Regulations for method.)

- 1. Cardiff 1 Dragons
- 2. Bath 1 Hawks
- 3. Exeter 1 Hurricanes
- 4. Surrey 1 Stags
- 5. Exeter 2 Monsoon
- 6. Bristol 1 Cobras
- 7. Exeter 3 Typhoon
- 8. Bath 2 Sparrows
- 9. Oxford 1
- 10. Exeter 4 Storm
- 11. Southampton 1
- 12. Bath 3 Chickens
- 13. Surrey 2 Bucks
- 14. Essex 1
- 15. RVC 1
- 16. Oxford Brookes 1





**POOL A** 

Cardiff 1 -

Dragons

Bath 2 -

**Sparrows** 

Oxford 1

Oxford Brookes

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**POOL B** 

Bath 1 - Hawks

Exeter 3 -

**Typhoon** 

Exeter 4 - Storm

RVC 1

**POOL C** 

Exeter 1 -

Hurricanes

Bristol 1 -

Cobras

Southampton 1

Essex 1

**POOL D** 

Surrey 1 - Stags

Exeter 2 -

Monsoon

Bath 3 -

Chickens

Surrey 2 - Bucks

# **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION, RULES & REGULATIONS**

The UTC Season Information Pack can be found here.

Sport Specific Regulations can be found here.

Sport Specific Affiliations can be found here.

FIT 5th Edition International Playing Rules can be found here.

## **SCHEDULE & FORMAT**

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- The 16 Teams are split into 4 Pools of 4 Teams
- Teams will play all teams in their Pool during the morning games
- The 1st and 2nd placed teams in each pool will qualify for the Cup Quarter Finals
- The 3rd and 4th placed teams in each pool will qualify for the Bowl Quarter Finals
- Winners of the Cup Quarter Finals qualify for the Cup Semi Finals, losers qualify for the Plate Semi Finals
- Winner of the Bowl Quarter Finals qualify for the Bowl Semi Finals, losers qualify for the Shield Semi Finals
- All teams will play 6 games





#### **CURRENT STANDINGS**

2022-23 Statistics

#### **BUCS POINTS AVAILABLE**

BUCS Points are not directly available at this singular event. Please see the UTC Season Information Pack for further information.

This event is a qualifying event for the National Championships. Performance in the event and the other respective regional qualifier will determine rankings for the National Championship events. BUCS Points will be awarded after all National Championship events have taken place.

#### **WITHDRAWALS**

As of publishing this document, any withdrawals from the event will not be refunded. The schedule and format will not be revised and all the games relating to the withdrawn team will be recorded as 'Byes'.

#### REFEREEING

Player Referee slots will be allocated as per the Sport Specific Regulations. Due to the number of Full-Time Referees attending, it is likely that Player Referees will be required to facilitate the tournament.

Teams should ensure that their Player-Referees come prepared <u>with a whistle</u>. (Whistles can be purchased from Event Control for £5 cash.) At event registration, teams will be required to mark who their Player Referees are on their team sheet.

Player Referee Allocations will be completed nearer the time of the event.





# On the Day Timings

#### **REGISTRATION & ARRIVAL TIME**

08:00

Teams are required to arrive, register and hand in a completed team sheet at this time. The team sheet must include player shirt numbers and Player Referee nominations.

#### **CAPTAIN'S BRIEFING TIME**

08:30

Team Captains are required to attend Event Control for a briefing at this time.

#### FIRST GAME KICK OFF TIME

09:00

#### LAST GAME KICK OFF TIME

15:25

#### PRESENTATION CEREMONY

16:30 - 16:45

Presentations will take place on the Terrace outside the main bar where the following trophies will be awarded:

- Cup 1st Place
- Plate 5th Place
- Bowl 9th Place
- Shield 13th Place
- Most Valuable Players (Female & Male) (as voted for by opposition teams)
- Most Valuable Referee

The ETA would be very grateful if as many teams as possible stayed for the presentations as this adds to the atmosphere and allows teams to celebrate together.

## **Nominating MVPs**

After each game, team captains will be asked to nominate a female and male player from the opposition. These will be tallied up through the course of the event with the most nominated players receiving an award. This is part of the community we create in Touch Rugby and we think it is very important that this is celebrated.

#### **EVENT CLOSING TIME**

The site will close at 7pm.





# **Venue Information**

# **VENUE & PITCH MAP**





## **PARKING**

Parking is available onsite for cars, minibuses and coaches.

# **FURTHER TRAVEL LINKS**

By train: Guildford railway station is a 25 minute walk or 20 minute bus ride.

By bus: Local Stagecoach buses operate every 15-20 minutes.

Further information can be found here.





#### **WEATHER, CLOTHING & KIT**

#### Weather

Please attend the event with the appropriate items of kit that you will need to stay warm and dry throughout the day. All players are permitted to wear any clothing item underneath their playing shirt, that keeps them warm, provided there are no rigid elements to it and it does not cover the shirt number.

# Kit & Playing Attires

Please see Rule 4 of the FIT 5th Edition Playing Rules <a href="here">here</a> for a full breakdown of permitted attire. No jewellery must be worn and it is strongly advised that watches are not worn either. If a participant desperately wishes to wear a watch, this must be covered by a soft wristband, sweatband or medical tape.

Boots with screw-in studs are not permitted.

#### **CHANGING FACILITIES**

Full changing facilities, toilets and showers are available at the grounds. Note that all items are left at the owner's risk. Team are allocated to the following changing rooms:

Referee Changing 1 - Gender Diverse & Inclusive Single Oppuncay for anyone to use

Referee Changing 2 - Female Referees

Changing Room 1 - Male Referees

Changing Room 2 - Exeter Male

Changing Room 3 - Bath Male

Changing Room 4 - Cardiff, Oxford Brookes & Bristol Male

Changing Room 5 - Essex, RVC & Southampton Male

Changing Room 6 - Surrey & Oxford Male

Changing Room 7 - Exeter Female

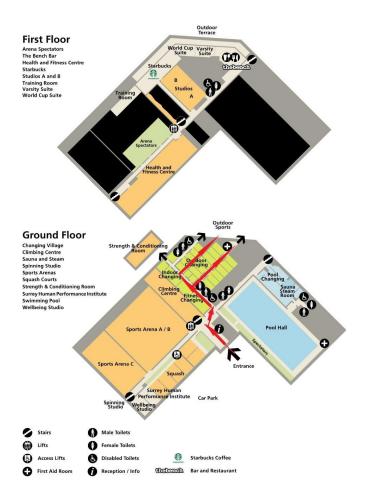
Changing Room 8 - Bath & Bristol Female

Changing Room 9 - Cardiff, RVC, Oxford & Oxford Brookes Female

Changing Room 10 - Surrey, Essex & Southampton Female







Please note, no studs are allowed in the building. Studs are allowed in the changing room corridors, but if you need to come back to the reception area they will need to be removed.

#### **EVENT CONTROL**

Event Control will be located at the pitchside gazebo. The event briefing will happen here.

#### **MEDICAL SUPPORT**

Medical support will be located in the complex treatment room and at Event Control As part of our commitment to quality and making the day a competitive but safe event, we have secured expert physio, sports therapy and first aid cover for the duration of the event and the season. Please note that there will be a £5.00 charge for taping (free if you supply your own). In the case of needing medical assistance during a game, please notify your nearest events assistant or attend event control.

## **FOOD & DRINK**

The bar will be open with a meal provided from 16:00 at a cost of £3.50. There is also a starbucks located on site which will be open all day. Water refill is available at the changing rooms.

We recommend all players bring their own lunch, light snacks, and re-fillable water bottles.





# Code of Behaviour

All participants must comply with the ETA and BUCS Code of Conduct while taking part and supporting at UTC events, the full details can be found at <a href="http://www.englandtouch.org.uk/play/code-of-behaviour/">http://www.englandtouch.org.uk/play/code-of-behaviour/</a>

The ETA Code of Behaviour applies to all participants including players, coaches, referees, administrators and supporters and sanctions can be applied to individuals, teams and clubs as necessary. Participant enjoyment should not be compromised at any point and necessary actions will be taken should they be needed to ensure this. The decision will be made by the tournament control. Your cooperation on this matter is greatly appreciated.

# Sponsors & Social Media

#### **EVENT SPONSORS**

The event is being held in partnership with Sheffield Hallam Sport, they are kindly providing their high performance facilities for the day, please treat the site with respect and make use of the food and drink on offer.

## **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Ensure your players are following @universitytouchuk on Instagram for all the latest updates, inside stories and behind the scenes competition.

Please tag:

@bucssport

@englandtouch

@universitytouchuk

In your instagram stories, also use the hashtags:

#touchrugby

#bucssport

#universitytouchchampionships

# **Further Questions & Support**

If you have any issues, or need further questions answering, please contact:

BUCS - issues regarding BUCS Play, team sheets or deadlines

ETA - Jack Harris on university@englandtouch.org.uk for event details or clarifications.

